(b) Five terrorists have been killed in encounters and 34 terrorists and 2 ISI agents arrested by Delhi Police upto 15th July, 2005. Information about arrest of terrorists in Noida is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

(c) Delhi has a mixed population and a large number of people migrate to Delhi from other States every year and live in Delhi as tenants. Despite the efforts made by Delhi Police, a number of such tenants remain unverified as the house owners fail to inform the local police. As a result of this, anti-social elements/terrorists at times are successful in hiding themselves without being detected.

(d) The steps taken by Delhi Police to prevent entry of terrorists into Delhi include: (i) sensitization of public through the print and electronic media; (ii) checking of guest houses, hotels, religious places etc. in certain areas where terrorist elements could take shelter; (iii) checking of tenants, particularly in new and developing areas; (iv) surprise checking of vehicles plying in the city and those arriving from J&K, Punjab etc. at Azad Pur Mandi and Okhla Subzi Mandi; (v) close interaction with the State and Central Police Organizations for exchange of information etc.

As regards entry of terrorists in surrounding areas of Delhi, necessary action is taken by the local administration of concerned State Governments.

Escalation infiltration of armed militants

1804. SHRI ANAND SHARMA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that infiltration of armed militants has escalated in recent weeks; and

(b) if so, the reasons therefor and the action taken by the security forces to check cross border infiltration?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI S. REGUPATHY): (a) and (b) There has been an increase in the infiltration in J and K border during July, 2005 as compared to that in previous months. There has also been increase in the interception of infiltration attempts by the Army. However, the infiltration bids were foiled by the Army. The current strategy adopted by the Army to tackle cross

border infiltration in J and K incorporates an integrated counter infiltration strategy, relentless operations in the hinter land and winning the hearts and minds of the local populace. The Army, in conjunction with other intelligence and security agencies, continually reviews its strategy to deal with terrorists to ensure that infiltration is further minimized.

Recovery of explosive materials

†1805. PROF. R.B.S. VARMA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether huge quantum of explosive materials have been recovered recently from many States of the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the action taken/being taken by Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SHRIPRAKASH JAISWAL): (a) and (b) As per available information, during the current year till June, 2005, considerable quantities of RDX, gelatine, gelatine sticks, gun powder, and other explosives including slurry have been recovered mainly from J and K, Punjab, Delhi, Andhra Pradesh, Maharashtra, etc.

(c) The arrested persons have been booked under the relevant laws including the Explosive Substances Act, 1908.

Village occupied by Nepal

1806. SHRI LALIT SURI: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state

(a) whether a Bihar village on Indo-Nepal border is occupied by Nepal where even a police post of that country has been set up;

(b) if so, the details in this regard, indicating as to when the matter was reported by the local officials to the State Government; and

(c) the action proposed to be taken to get the village transferred back to Bihar?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.